

General's rules for improvement in this area. If a State is not in compliance, it can use the 5-percent money that they would otherwise lose to work on this problem. If they do that, they will not end up losing any money, but it will be a way of us saying: If you are going to continue to draw Federal money, take this issue seriously.

Third, the bill will require the Department of Justice to conduct statistical surveys on prison rape for Federal, State, and local prisons and jails. Further, the Federal Government will select officials in prisons with the highest incidence of prison rape and with the lowest incidence of sexual assaults and have them come to Washington to discuss the problem and testify.

The bill provides grants of up to \$40 million to States for the prevention, investigation, and prosecution of prison rape. We find very little prosecution of these cases for prison rape. It will help the States reduce repeat offenses.

A broad and bipartisan array of organizations and institutions have added their support to this bill; for example: The American Psychological Association; Camp Fire USA; Center for Religious Freedom, Freedom House; Christian Rescue Committee; Citizens United for Rehabilitation; Focus on the Family; Good News, United Methodist Church; Human Rights Watch; Justice Policy Institute; Lutheran Office for Governmental Affairs; National Association of School Psychologists; National Association of Evangelicals; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; National Council for La Raza; National Network for Youth; National Mental Health Association; Marvin Olasky, the author and editor; Partnership for Responsible Drug Information, Presbyterian Church USA; Religious Action Center; Prison Fellowship—that is Chuck Colson's group that has been active in working on this issue—the Salvation Army; the Southern Baptist Convention; Unitarian Universalists for Juvenile Justice; Volunteers of America; and Youth Law Center.

I also thank Linda Chavez and Mike Horowitz for the ideas that started this legislative initiative. Well-conceived and carefully crafted ideas drive many legislative and political initiatives that become law after people work together to form a bipartisan, moral position.

I commend the hard work of Bill Pryor, the attorney general of Alabama, who worked with us on this issue and testified in favor of it. He cares about the individuals who are in prison, having put a lot of them there himself, and he demands fairness in how the prisoners are treated.

I also compliment my Senate staff person, Andrea Sander, for her excellent work in this matter.

This bill will address prison rape, not through unfunded mandates but by studying the problem and figuring out how to address these needs. It is time

for us to confront this issue, to deal with it, and put it behind us. Mothers should not have to worry that their children are going to be sexually assaulted in prison. That should not occur. I believe we can do better. This bill will be a major step in that direction, and I salute Senator KENNEDY for his leadership in helping us make this happen.

I thank the Chair and yield the floor.
Mr. SESSIONS. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SESSIONS. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period for morning business.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

DARPA AND THE FUTURES MARKET

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, we are on the Energy bill, but I wish to take a moment, inasmuch as my colleague from Wyoming has finished his statement, to speak on another subject. This morning my colleague, Senator WYDEN from Oregon, and I had a press conference disclosing something that is going on in a small corner of the Department of Defense. It is pretty disconcerting.

I should say at the outset that over recent months, Senator WYDEN and I have tried to put together a little project dealing with Government waste. Both of us believe very strongly Government does a lot of things to improve people's lives. It funds education and highways and provides for this country's protection and defense. There are a lot of things the Government does that are important to our daily lives, but when there is waste of money in Government, it is appalling.

We have discovered in a small corner of the Pentagon something that is going on that ought to be stopped immediately: In three days, a program sponsored by an agency in the Pentagon called DARPA will begin to allow sign-ups for the creation of a futures program for people to buy and sell futures contracts. It is an approach to try to use the market system to predict future events in the Middle East, they say.

I encourage people to go to their Web page and take a look at it. They say, for example, they will create a futures market in which buyers and sellers will make judgments and price futures contracts on predictive events such as: Will Mr. Arafat be assassinated? Will the King of Jordan be overthrown? Will

there be a bioterrorist attack against the country of Israel?

I told someone about discovering that this was going on at the Pentagon. They said I am clearly wrong about that; there is not any way the Pentagon can be setting up a futures contract system in which people will make bets on the Internet about whether some leader will be assassinated or whether there will be a bioterrorist attack.

The answer is, they are wrong. That is exactly what is happening. I say to anybody who wonders about it, go to the Internet. It is unbelievably stupid as a public policy, in my judgment, to think that real intelligence can be replaced by a betting system involving people connected to the Internet around the world; that you can replace real intelligence with a so-called market-based system in which presumably informed buyers and sellers would make bets, wagers—they call it futures contracts, but in fact it would be wagers—on whether a foreign leader would be assassinated, on whether there would be a bioterrorist attack, on whether North Korea would launch missiles.

I am using all of these examples because they are on the Internet site sponsored by the Department of Defense. This is real. I thought immediately, this clearly must be someone who went to The Onion and it is a spoof.

No, it is not. One does not find this on The Onion. They find it on an Internet site sponsored by DARPA at the Department of Defense, saying they are going to create this system and the sign-up starts August 1. The trading on futures contracts on these kinds of questions trying to be predictive about future events in the Middle East will begin on October 1, and they hope to ultimately have 10,000 traders. It is the most Byzantine, harebrained scheme I think I have ever heard coming from Government.

I say to DARPA, and to Admiral Poindexter, who I understand is running this program: Stop it. End it.

If not, we will try to end it in the appropriations process.

The Department of Defense does a lot of wonderful things. I have great admiration for them, and I serve on the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee. But putting together a program for trading of futures contracts on the kinds of propositions I have just mentioned—assassinating leaders, bioterrorist attacks—is not a project that warrants any credibility at all. It is a tragic waste of the taxpayers' money. It is offensive and, in my judgment, it will have no value to anyone.

My hope is that Senator WYDEN and I will have convinced the Pentagon today that enough is enough. Stop this kind of nonsense.